1 THE HONORABLE JOHN C. COUGHENOUR 2 3 4 5 6 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT 7 WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON AT SEATTLE 8 9 10 UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, Case No. C10-152-JCC 11 Petitioner, ORDER 12 v. 13 FLORENTINA VIDICAN, 14 Respondent. 15 16 This matter comes before the Court on Respondent's "Motion for Reconsideration; 17 Motion for Appointment of Competent Counsel; Motion to Dismiss for Lack of Jurisdiction; 18 Motion to Dismiss for Failure to State a Claim upon Which Relief May Be Granted; Motion 19 for Damages; Motion for Return of Money(s) Paid" (Dkt. No. 10), Petitioner's Reply (Dkt. No. 20 11), Petitioner's Erratum (Dkt. No. 12), and Respondent's Response. (Dkt. No. 13.) Having 21 thoroughly considered the parties' briefing and the relevant record, the Court finds oral 22 argument unnecessary and hereby DENIES the motion for the reasons explained herein. 23 I. **BACKGROUND** 24 Ms. Vidican did not respond to an IRS summons issued on June 19, 2009, which 25 directed her to appear before IRS Revenue Officer Curtis E. Rowe on July, 8, 2009. (Dkt. No. 26 1 at 2; Dkt. No. 11 at 2.) Consequently, the U.S. government filed a petition with the Court to

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judicially enforce the summons in accord with provisions of the Internal Revenue Code, 26 U.S.C. §§ 7402(b) and 7604(a). (Dkt. No. 1.) Ms. Vidican has filed several motions in response.

II. DISCUSSION

Despite the multiple issues Defendant raises in the caption to her motion, she articulates no coherent facts or law to support them. (Mot. (Dkt. No. 10.) The Defendant remedies this omission in her reply brief by introducing new facts and law. (Dkt. No. 13.) But the Court need not consider arguments introduced for the first time in a reply brief. *See Zamani v. Carnes*, 491 F.3d 990, 997 (9th Cir. 2007) ("The district court need not consider arguments raised for the first time in a reply brief."); *also see Koerner v. Grigas*, 328 F.3d 1039, 1048 (9th Cir. 2003).

With no basis to grant Ms. Vidican's requests, her motion is DENIED.

III. CONCLUSION

For the foregoing reasons, Defendant's "Motion for Reconsideration; Motion for Appointment of Competent Counsel; Motion to Dismiss for Lack of Jurisdiction; Motion to Dismiss for Failure to State a Claim upon Which Relief May Be Granted; Motion for Damages; Motion for Return of Money(s) Paid" is DENIED. (Dkt. No. 10.)

DATED this 10th day of March, 2010.

Honorable John C. Coughenour UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

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